2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Rogue and Umpqua Resource Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of Agriculture 2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee No. 3b. GSA Committee No.

Rogue and Umpqua Resource Advisory Committee 70507

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

Year? Charter Date Date

No 06/21/2016 06/21/2018

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

No

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Req to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?

Continue Not Applicable Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority Statutory (Congress Created)

13. 14.

12. Specific Establishment Authority Effective Committee _

Presidential?

Date Type

The SRS and Community Self-Determination Act as

reauthorized in PL 110-343 and PL 112-141.

10/03/2008Continuing No

15. Description of Committee Other Committee

16a. Total Number of No Reports for this

Reports FiscalYear

17a. Open 1 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1 Meetings and Dates

Purpose Start End

Rogue-Umpqua RAC to review and make recommendations on proposed recreation fee changes for the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest.

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$12,500.00\$	60,750.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00

18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants\$0.00\$0.0018c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)\$0.00\$1,250.0018d. Total\$12,500.00 \$62,000.0019. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)0.100.50

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to improve collaborative relations and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343. The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The committee is comprised of 15 members, five in each of three categories prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The committee generally will meet as needed to perform its duties.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) is mandated by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act, previously established under Public Law 106-393 and entered in the FACA database as Rogue and Umpqua RAC, a subcommittee of 11980. The RAC was reauthorized under Public Law 110-28, Public Law 110-343 and Public Law 112-141.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings? Meetings are not closed. The authorizing legislation directs that meetings be open to the

public.

21. Remarks

This committee met in FY2018 to review and make recommendations on recreation fee proposals from the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest. When the SRS charter ended in FY18, there were 11 voting members on the 15-slot RAC. There was a quorum for the April 4, 2018, meeting.

Designated Federal Officer

Alice B. Carlton Forest Supervisor, Umpqua National Forest

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Haws, Cindy	01/01/2016	06/09/2018	Resident	Representative Member
Higgins, Paul	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Private Forest Land Owners	Representative Member
Jelden, Monica	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Real Properties Coordinator	Representative Member
Kincaid, Mark	06/17/2017	06/09/2018	Vice-President Timber Operations	Representative Member
Rockholt, Rick	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Recreationalist	Representative Member
Stephens, Jaime	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Conservation Director - Klamath Bird Observatory	Representative Member
Stewart, Laurene	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Resident	Representative Member
Swift, Susan	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	School Teacher	Representative Member
Tannlund, Penny	05/02/2017	06/09/2018	Community Volunteer	Representative Member
Van Norman, Scott	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Tribal Wildlife Biologist	Representative Member
Ward, John	06/09/2014	06/09/2018	Retired	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 11

Narrative Description

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

	Checked if Applies
Improvements to health or safety	✓
Trust in government	✓
Major policy changes	
Advance in scientific research	
Effective grant making	✓
Improved service delivery	✓
Increased customer satisfaction	✓

Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements Other	
Outcome Comments N/A	
What are the cost savings associated with this committee?	
	Checked if Applies
None	
Unable to Determine	✓
Under \$100,000	
\$100,000 - \$500,000	
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	
Over \$10,000,000	
Cost Savings Other	
Cost Savings Comments N/A	

What is the approximate $\underline{\text{Number}}$ of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

354

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Rogue & Umpqua RAC met on April 4, 2018, to review and make recommendations on recreation fee proposals offered by the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest staff. A quorum of 10 members were first introduced to the Federal lands Recreation Enhancement Act before watching an overview of proposed fee changes. After a robust question and answer period, the RAC agreed to the entire proposal: 8 campground fee changes, 4 recreation rental fee changes, interpretive site fee changes, 3 campground to group site conversions & fee changes, and 4 new fee sites. The RAC also received an update on status of Title II projects for the Umpqua National Forest and Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest. This RAC has made 345 recommendations outside of the fee proposal changes in previous years.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Fully</u> implemented by the agency?

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

335 recommendations have been completed.

What is the approximate <u>Percentage</u> of these recommendations that have been or will be <u>Partially</u> implemented by the agency?

8%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

28 recommended and funded projects are in progress. Both the Rogue River-Siskiyou and Umpqua National Forests experienced large-scale fires in 2017 and 2018 which slowed down the progress of implementing recommendations. Many employees were otherwise engaged fighting fire. 14 of the 28 projects should be completed by October 1, 2018.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to
implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Of the recommendations, 14 projects are tied to on-going contracts or agreements with partners where the work will continue for another year or two.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	
Reallocated resources	
Issued new regulation	
Proposed legislation	
Approved grants or other payments	
Other	

Action Comments

N/A

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

No grants were reviewed by the committee in FY18.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	✓
Online Agency Web Site	✓
Online Committee Web Site	✓
Online GSA FACA Web Site	✓
Publications	✓
Other	

Access Comments

Not applicable.